

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2668 - HB 2795

February 19, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Board of Dentistry to appoint a separate entity to administer clinical and didactic examinations to registered dental assistants for eligibility to perform teeth polishing.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Expenditures – Net Impact - Not Significant/Board of Dentistry

Assumptions:

- Currently, registered dental assistants must pass a clinical and didactic examination administered by the Board of Dentistry to be eligible to perform polishing treatments.
- The proposed legislation will authorize the Board of Dentistry to designate the administration of the examination to another entity. This will not have a significant impact on the Board.
- Any increase in expenditures to enter into an agreement for the administration of the examination or decrease in expenditures for the Board to no longer administer the examination is considered not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a balance of \$108,709.53. The Board's FY08-09 balance is not yet available.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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